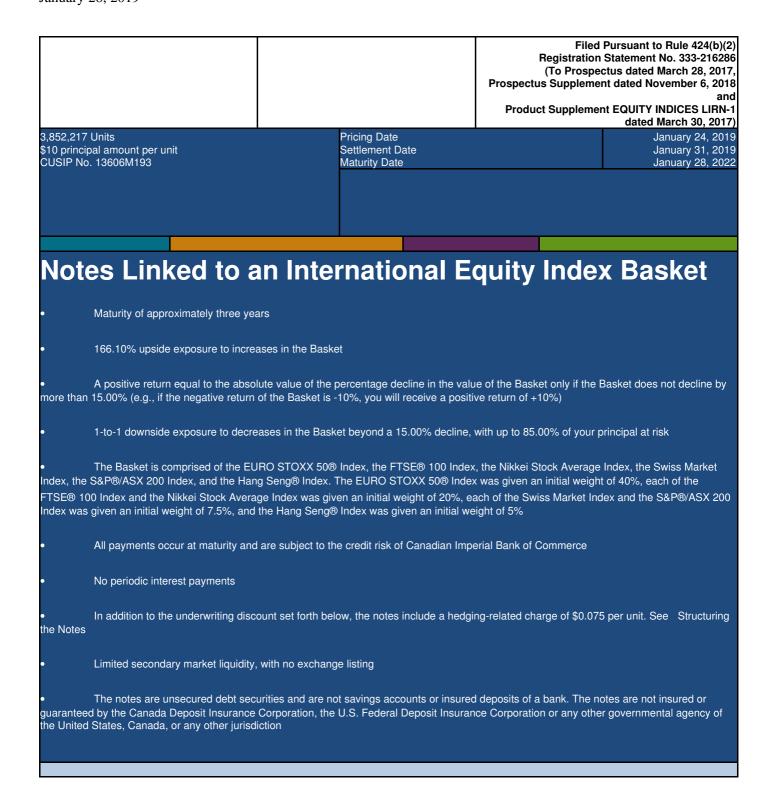
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The notes are being issued by Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC). There are important differences between the notes and a conventional debt security, including different investment risks and certain additional costs. See Risk Factors beginning on page TS-6 of this term sheet and beginning on page PS-6 of product supplement EQUITY INDICES LIRN-1.

The initial estimated value of the notes as of the pricing date is \$9.718 per unit, which is less than the public offering price listed below. See Summary on the following page, Risk Factors beginning on page TS-6 of this term sheet and Structuring the Notes on page TS-26 of this term sheet for additional information. The actual value of your notes at any time will reflect many factors and cannot be predicted with accuracy.

None of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC), any state securities commission, or any other regulatory body has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this Note Prospectus (as defined below) is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Public offering price Underwriting discount Proceeds, before expenses, to CIBC Per Unit \$ 10.000 \$ 0.225 \$ 9.775 <u>Total</u> \$38,522,170.00 \$866,748.82 \$37,655,421.18

The notes:

Are Not FDIC Insured	Are Not Bank Guaranteed	May Lose Value
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Merrill Lynch & Co.

January 24, 2019

Summary

The Notes Linked to an International Equity Index Basket, due January 28, 2022 (the notes) are our senior unsecured debt securities. The notes are not guaranteed or insured by the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation, the U.S. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency in the United States, Canada or any other jurisdiction or secured by collateral. The notes are not bail-inable notes (as defined on page S-2 of the prospectus supplement). **The notes will rank equally with all of our other unsecured and unsubordinated debt. Any payments due on the notes, including any repayment of principal, will be subject to the credit risk of CIBC.** The notes provide you a leveraged return if the Ending Value of the Market Measure, which is the international equity index basket described below (the Basket), is greater than the Starting Value. If the Ending Value is equal to or less than the Starting Value but greater than or equal to the Ending Value, you will receive a positive return equal to the absolute value of the percentage decline in the Basket from the Starting Value to the Ending Value (e.g., if the negative return of the Basket is -10%, you will receive a positive return of +10%). If the Ending Value is less than the Threshold Value, you will lose a portion, which could be significant, of the principal amount of your notes. Any payments on the notes will be calculated based on the \$10 principal amount per unit and will depend on the performance of the Basket, subject to our credit risk. See Terms of the Notes below.

The Basket is comprised of the EURO STOXX 50® Index, the FTSE® 100 Index, the Nikkei Stock Average Index, the Swiss Market Index, the S&P®/ASX 200 Index, and the Hang Seng® Index (each, a Basket Component). On the pricing date, the EURO STOXX 50® dex was given an initial weight of 40%, each of the FTSE® 100 Index and the Nikkei Stock Average Index was given an initial weight of 20%, each of the Swiss Market Index and the S&P®/ASX 200 Index was given an initial weight of 7.5%, and the Hang Seng® Index was given an initial weight of 5%.

The economic terms of the notes (including the Participation Rate) are based on our internal funding rate, which is the rate we would pay to borrow funds through the issuance of market-linked notes, and the economic terms of certain related hedging arrangements. Our internal funding rate is typically lower than the rate we would pay when we issue conventional fixed rate debt securities. This difference in funding rate, as well as the underwriting discount and the hedging-related charge described below, reduced the economic terms of the notes to you and the initial estimated value of the notes on the pricing date. Due to these factors, the public offering price you pay to purchase the notes is greater than the initial estimated value of the notes.

On the cover page of this term sheet, we have provided the initial estimated value for the notes. This initial estimated value was determined based on our pricing models, and was based on our internal funding rate on the pricing date, market conditions and other relevant factors existing at that time, and our assumptions about market parameters. For more information about the initial estimated value and the structuring of the notes, see Structuring the Notes on page TS-26.

Terms of the Notes

Issuer:

Principal Amount: Term: Market Measure: Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC)

> \$10.00 per unit Approximately three years An international equity index basket comprised of the EURO STOXX 50® Index (Bloomberg symbol:

SX5E), the FTSE®00 Index (Bloomberg symbol: UKX), the Nikkei Stock Average Index

Redemption Amount Determination

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the accompanying product supplement, the Redemption Amount will be determined as set forth in this term sheet. On the maturity date, you will receive a cash payment per unit determined as follows:

	Swiss Market Index (Bloomberg symbol: SMI), the S&P®/ASX 200 Index (Bloomberg symbol: AS51) and the Hang Seng® Index (Bloomberg symbol: HSI). Each Basket Component is a price return	
terting Volues	index. 100.00	
tarting Value: nding Value:	The average value of the Market	
3	Measure on each calculation day	
	during the Maturity Valuation Period,	
	calculated as specified in The	
	Basket on page TS-8 and Description of LIRNs Basket Market	
	Measures beginning on page PS-20	
	of product supplement EQUITY	
	INDICES LIRN-1. The scheduled	
	calculation days are subject to postponement in the event of Market	
	Disruption Events, as described on	
	page PS-22 of product supplement	
	EQUITY INDICES LIRN-1.	
hreshold Value:	85.00 (85% of the Starting Value).	
articipation Rate: laturity Valuation	166.10% January 18, 2022, January 19,	
eriod:	2022, January 20, 2022,	
	January 21, 2022 and January 24,	
	2022	
ees and Charges:	The underwriting discount of \$0.225 per unit listed on the cover page and	
	the hedging-related charge of	
	\$0.075 per unit described in	
	Structuring the Notes on	
	page TS-26.	
alculation Agent:	Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated (MLPF&S).	

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Notes Linked to an International Equity Index Basket, due January 28, 2022	

The terms and risks of the notes are contained in this term sheet and in the following:

§ Product supplement EQUITY INDICES LIRN-1 dated March 30, 2017: <u>https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1045520/000110465917020278/a17-7416_10424b5.htm</u>

§ Prospectus dated March 28, 2017 and prospectus supplement dated November 6, 2018:

https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1045520/000110465918066166/a18-37094 1424b2.htm

These documents (together, the Note Prospectus) have been filed as part of a registration statement with the SEC, which may, without cost, be accessed on the SEC website as indicated above or obtained from MLPF&S by calling 1-800-294-1322. Before you invest, you should read the Note Prospectus, including this term sheet, for information about us and this offering. Any prior or contemporaneous oral statements and any other written materials you may have received are superseded by the Note Prospectus.

When you read the accompanying product supplement, please note that all references in such supplement to the prospectus supplement dated March 28, 2017, or to any sections therein, should refer instead to the accompanying prospectus supplement dated November 6, 2018 or to the corresponding sections of such prospectus supplement, as applicable, unless otherwise specified or the context otherwise requires. Capitalized terms used but not defined in this term sheet have the meanings set forth in product supplement EQUITY INDICES LIRN-1. Unless otherwise indicated or unless the context requires otherwise, all references in this document to we, us, our, or similar references are to CIBC.

To the extent the determination of the Redemption Amount and other terms described in this term sheet are inconsistent with those described in the accompanying product supplement, prospectus supplement or prospectus, the determination of the Redemption Amount and other terms described in this term sheet shall control.

Investor Considerations

You may wish to consider an investment in the notes if:

• You anticipate that the value of the Basket will either increase from the Starting Value to the Ending Value or decrease from the Starting Value to an Ending Value that is at or above the Threshold Value.

• You are willing to risk a loss of principal and return if the value of the Basket decreases from the Starting Value to an Ending Value that is below the Threshold Value.

 You are willing to forgo the interest payments that are paid on conventional interest bearing debt securities.

The notes may not be an appropriate investment for you if:

• You believe that the value of the Basket will decrease from the Starting Value to an Ending Value that is below the Threshold Value or that it will not increase sufficiently over the term of the notes to provide you with your desired return.

• You seek 100% principal repayment or preservation of capital.

• You seek interest payments or other current income on your investment.

• You want to receive dividends or other distributions paid on the stocks included in the Basket Components.

• You are willing to forgo dividends or other benefits of owning the stocks included in the Basket Components.

• You are willing to accept a limited or no market for sales prior to maturity, and understand that the market prices for the notes, if any, will be affected by various factors, including our actual and perceived creditworthiness, our internal funding rate and fees and charges on the notes.

• You are willing to assume our credit risk, as issuer of the notes, for all payments under the notes, including the Redemption Amount.

• You seek an investment for which there will be a liquid secondary market.

• You are unwilling or are unable to take market risk on the notes or to take our credit risk as issuer of the notes.

We urge you to consult your investment, legal, tax, accounting, and other advisors before you invest in the notes.

Hypothetical Payout Profile and Examples of Payments at Maturity

This graph reflects the returns on the notes, based on the Participation Rate of 166.10% and the Threshold Value of 85% of the Starting Value. The green line reflects the returns on the notes, while the dotted gray line reflects the returns of a direct investment in the stocks included in the Basket Components, excluding dividends.

This graph has been prepared for purposes of illustration only.

The following table and examples are for purposes of illustration only. They are based on **hypothetical** values and show **hypothetical** returns on the notes. They illustrate the calculation of the Redemption Amount and total rate of return based on the Starting Value of 100, the Threshold Value of 85, the Participation Rate of 166.10% and a range of hypothetical Ending Values. **The actual amount you receive and the resulting total rate of return will depend on the actual Ending Value and whether you hold the notes to maturity.** The following examples do not take into account any tax consequences from investing in the notes.

For hypothetical historical values of the Basket, see The Basket section below for recent actual levels of the Basket Components, see The

Basket Components section belowEach Basket Component is a price return index and as such the Ending Value will not include any income generated by dividends paid on the stocks included in any of the Basket Components, which you would otherwise be entitled to receive if you invested in those stocks directly. In addition, all payments on the notes are subject to issuer credit risk.

Ending Value	Percentage Change from the Starting Value to the Ending Value	Redemption Amount per Unit	Total Rate of Return on the Notes
0.00	-100.00%	\$1.5000	-85.000%
50.00	-50.00%	\$6.5000	-35.000%
75.00	-25.00%	\$9.0000	-10.000%
85.00(1)	-15.00%	\$11.5000	15.000%
90.00	-10.00%	\$11.0000	10.000%
94.00	-6.00%	\$10.6000	6.000%
95.00	-5.00%	\$10.5000	5.000%
97.00	-3.00%	\$10.3000	3.000%
100.00(2)	0.00%	\$10.0000	0.000%
102.00	2.00%	\$10.3322	3.322%

105.00	5.00%	\$10.8305	8.305%
110.00	10.00%	\$11.6610	16.610%
120.00	20.00%	\$13.3220	33.220%
130.00	30.00%	\$14.9830	49.830%
140.00	40.00%	\$16.6440	66.440%
150.00	50.00%	\$18.3050	83.050%
160.00	60.00%	\$19.9660	99.660%

(1) This is the Threshold Value.

(2) The Starting Value was set to 100.00 on the pricing date.

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Redemption Amount Calculation Examples

Example 1

The Ending Value is 50.00, or 50.00% of the Starting Value:Starting Value:100.00Threshold Value:85.00Ending Value:50.00

Redemption Amount per unit

Example 2

The Ending Value is 95.00, or 95.00% of the Starting Value: Starting Value: 100.00 Threshold Value: 85.00 Ending Value: 95.00

Redemption Amount per unit

Example 3

The Ending Value is 140.00, or 140.00% of the Starting Value:Starting Value:100.00Ending Value:140.00

= \$16.6440 Redemption Amount per unit.

Risk Factors

There are important differences between the notes and a conventional debt security. An investment in the notes involves significant risks, including those listed below. You should carefully review the more detailed explanation of risks relating to the notes in the Risk Factors sections beginning on page PS-6 of product supplement EQUITY INDICES LIRN-1, page S-1 of the prospectus supplement, and page 1 of the prospectus identified above. We also urge you to consult your investment, legal, tax, accounting, and other advisors before you invest in the notes.

§ Depending on the performance of the Basket as measured shortly before the maturity date, you may lose up to 85% of the principal amount.

Your potential for a positive return based on the depreciation of the Basket is limited. The absolute value return feature applies only if the Ending Value is less than the Starting Value but greater than or equal to the Threshold Value. Because the Threshold Value is 85% of the Starting Value, any positive return due to the depreciation of the Basket is limited to 15%. Any decline in the Ending Value from the Starting Value by more than 15% will result in a loss, rather than a positive return, on the notes.

§ Your return on the notes may be less than the yield you could earn by owning a conventional fixed or floating rate debt security of comparable maturity.

§ Your investment return may be less than a comparable investment directly in the stocks included in the Basket Components.

§ Payments on the notes are subject to our credit risk, and actual or perceived changes in our creditworthiness are expected to affect the value of the notes. If we become insolvent or are unable to pay our obligations, you may lose your entire investment.

§ Our initial estimated value of the notes is lower than the public offering price of the notes. The public offering price of the notes exceeds our initial estimated value because costs associated with selling and structuring the notes, as well as hedging the notes, all as further described in Structuring the Notes on page TS-26, are included in the public offering price of the notes.

S Our initial estimated value does not represent future values of the notes and may differ from others estimates. Our initial estimated value is only an estimate, which was determined by reference to our internal pricing models when the terms of the notes were set. This estimated value was based on market conditions and other relevant factors existing at that time, our internal funding rate on the pricing date and our assumptions about market parameters, which can include volatility, dividend rates, interest rates and other factors. Different pricing models and assumptions could provide valuations for the notes that are greater or less than our initial estimated value. In addition, market conditions and other relevant factors in the future may change, and any assumptions may prove to be incorrect. On future dates, the market value of the notes could change significantly based on, among other things, changes in market conditions, including the value of the Market Measure, our creditworthiness, interest rate movements and other relevant factors, which may impact the price at which MLPF&S or any other party would be willing to buy notes

from you in any secondary market transactions. Our estimated value does not represent a minimum price at which MLPF&S or any other party would be willing to buy your notes in any secondary market (if any exists) at any time.

SOur initial estimated value of the notes was not determined by reference to credit spreads for our conventional fixed-rate debt. The internal funding rate that was used in the determination of our initial estimated value of the notes generally represents a discount from the credit spreads for our conventional fixed-rate debt. The discount is based on, among other things, our view of the funding value of the notes as well as the higher issuance, operational and ongoing liability management costs of the notes in comparison to those costs for our conventional fixed-rate debt. If we were to have used the interest rate implied by our conventional fixed-rate debt, we would expect the economic terms of the notes to be more favorable to you. Consequently, our use of an internal funding rate for market-linked notes had an adverse effect on the economic terms of the notes on the pricing date, and could have an adverse effect on any secondary market prices of the notes.

§ A trading market is not expected to develop for the notes. Neither we nor MLPF&S is obligated to make a market for, or to repurchase, the notes. There is no assurance that any party will be willing to purchase your notes at any price in any secondary market.

Sour business, hedging and trading activities, and those of MLPF&S and our respective affiliates (including trades in shares of companies included in the Basket Components), and any hedging and trading activities we, MLPF&S or our respective affiliates engage in for our clients accounts, may affect the market value and return of the notes and may create conflicts of interest with you.

Schanges in the level of one of the Basket Components may be offset by changes in the levels of the other Basket Components. Due to the different Initial Component Weights, changes in the levels of some Basket Components will have a more substantial impact on the value of the Basket than similar changes in the levels of other Basket Components.

§ The index sponsors may adjust their respective Basket Components in a way that affects their levels, and have no obligation to consider your interests.

§ You will have no rights of a holder of the securities represented by the Basket Components, and you will not be entitled to receive securities or dividends or other distributions by the issuers of those securities.

While we, MLPF&S or our respective affiliates may from time to time own securities of companies included in the Basket Components, we, MLPF&S and our respective affiliates do not control any company included in any Basket Component, and have not verified any disclosure made by any other company.

S Your return on the notes may be affected by factors affecting the international securities markets, specifically markets in the countries represented by the Basket Components. In addition, you will not obtain the benefit of any increase in the value of the currencies in which the securities in the Basket Components trade against the U.S. dollar which you would have received if you had owned the securities included in the Basket Components during the term of your notes, although the value of the Basket may be adversely affected by general exchange rate movements in the market.

§ There may be potential conflicts of interest involving the calculation agent, which is MLPF&S. We have the right to appoint and remove the calculation agent.

The U.S. federal income tax consequences of the notes are uncertain, and may be adverse to a holder of the notes. See Summary of U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences below and U.S. Federal Income Tax Summary beginning on page PS-29 of product supplement EQUITY INDICES LIRN-1. For a discussion of the Canadian federal income tax consequences of investing in the notes, see Material Income Tax Consequences Canadian Taxation in the prospectus dated March 28, 2017, as supplemented by the discussion under Summary of Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations herein.

Other Terms of the Notes

Market Measure Business Day

The following definition shall supersede and replace the definition of Market Measure Business Day set forth in product supplement EQUITY INDICES LIRN-1.

A Market Measure Business Day means a day on which:

(A) each of the Eurex (as to the EURO STOXX 50[®] Index), the London Stock Exchange (as to the FTSE[®] 100 Index), the Tokyo Stock Exchange (as to the Nikkei Stock Average Index), the SIX Swiss Exchange (as to the Swiss Market Index), the Australian Stock Exchange (as to the S&P®/ASX 200 Index), and the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong (as to the Hang Seng[®] Index) (or any successor to the foregoing exchanges) are open for trading; and

(B) the Basket Components or any successors thereto are calculated and published.

The Basket

The Basket is designed to allow investors to participate in the percentage changes in the levels of the Basket Components from the Starting Value to the Ending Value of the Basket. The Basket Components are described in the section entitled The Basket Components below. Each Basket Component was assigned an initial weight on the pricing date, as set forth in the table below.

For more information on the calculation of the value of the Basket, please see the section entitled Description of LIRNs Basket Market Measures beginning on page PS-20 of product supplement EQUITY INDICES LIRN-1.

On the pricing date, for each Basket Component, the Initial Component Weight, the closing level, the Component Ratio and the initial contribution to the Basket value were as follows:

Basket Component EURO STOXX 50® Index Bloomberg Symbol Initial Component Weight

Closing Level(1) Component Ratio(2) Initial Basket Value Contribution